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New Delhi, the 22nd February 1939.

No. 35/10/39.—In pursuance of clause 4 of the Regulations for admission to the Indian Civil Service by examination in the United Kingdom, and in supersession of the notification of the Government of India in the Home Department, No. F.-266/30-Ests., dated the 21st February 1931, the Governor-General in Council is pleased to prescribe the following instructions for the issue of certificates of nationality and age to candidates for the said examination who are of Indian domicile or descent, and who are not in possession of certificates of birth or of baptismal certificates stating the date of birth, namely:—

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Instructions for the issue of certificates of nationality and age to candidates for the Indian Civil Service examination in London who are of Indian domicile or descent.

General.

I. A candidate for the Indian Civil Service examination in London who is of Indian domicile or descent and who is not in possession of a certificate of birth or of a baptismal certificate stating the date of birth, should before leaving India obtain a certificate of nationality and age signed, if he is resident in British India, by the Secretary to Government of the Province, or the Commissioner of the Division within which his family resides; or if he is resident in a State in India, by the highest Political Officer accredited to the State in which his family resides. If the candidate has proceeded to England without obtaining the certificate, the certificate may be granted to his father or guardian, provided that the latter produces the requisite evidence, and when making the application states when the candidate went to England, and where he has been residing during his stay in that country.

II. In order to obtain a certificate a candidate is required, if resident in British India, to prove the date and place of his birth and his nationality before the Magistrate of the District in which his family resides, or, if resident in a State in India, before the Political Officer of the State in which his family resides.

III. A candidate who wishes to obtain a certificate must, if resident in British India, signify to the Secretary to Government of the Province, or the Commissioner of the Division in which his family resides, his desire to compete, not less than three months before the date on which he proposes to go to England. If resident within a State in India, he must signify his desire in like manner to the highest Political Officer accredited to the State within which his family resides. The Officer to whom the application is made shall forward it for the purpose of inquiry to the Magistrate of the District or Political Officer of the State in which the applicant's family resides.

IV. The Magistrate or Political Officer to whom such application has been forwarded shall call upon the candidate to appear and give evidence of the date and place of his birth and of his nationality within one month. He will carefully examine the value of the evidence given, and forward a summary of it, with certified copies of all documents tendered, and his comments and opinion to the Officer who forwarded the application to him for inquiry.

V. The documentary evidence which a candidate may be expected to produce comprises:—

(*a*) The horoscope.

(*b*) Family books.

(*c*) Tradesmen's account books showing entries relating to the birth.

(*d*) The Matriculation Certificate. If the Matriculation Certificate does not contain sufficient particulars to show that the candidate is qualified by age to enter for the examination, a certificate from the candidate's University or College showing his date of birth as recorded on entering the University or College must also be furnished.

The age of a candidate as recorded on entering his University is regarded as correct unless there is proof to the contrary. If a candidate claims that his age is other than as so recorded he must submit *with this application* the evidence on which he bases his claim. In such a case the Magistrate or Political Officer will require, among other evidence, a satisfactory explanation of the circumstances in which a wrong age was recorded at the time of entry into the University. He will also require a statement of any attempts made by the candidate to have the University record amended and of the result of such attempts.

Oral testimony of persons acquainted with the candidate's family or otherwise able to give relevant evidence will also be taken; and the candidate is required to comply, to the best of his power, with any requisition the Magistrate or Political Officer, as the case may be, may make in order to clear up any doubt as to the purport of the documentary proof.

VI. Any declaration of age made after the 21st February 1931, on the occasion of seeking admission to any university examination, educational institution, or Government office, or otherwise recorded in a formal and deliberate manner, will be taken as conclusive evidence in disproof of the subsequent assertion by the same person that he is of different age to that so declared or recorded.

VII. Where the date and place of birth have been formally registered in a register kept by any public officer in British India, an extract from the register duly certified by the proper official shall be accepted as sufficient proof of the date and place of the birth.

In the case of a candidate who is a British subject and whose father is alive.

VIII. If the Secretary to Government, Commissioner of the Division, or highest Political Officer accredited to the State, as the case may be, is satisfied by the papers submitted, he will issue a certificate in the following form setting

out the nature of the evidence produced by the candidate:—

'I hereby certify that..... ....., who is a candidate for the Indian Civil Service examination in London, has submitted the proofs of his birth detailed below* and has satisfactorily shown that he was actually born on or about the date stated, *viz.*, the..... day of.....19 , and further I hereby certify that he is a British subject and that his father is

a British subject†.
a subject of . . . . . State in India†.'

* (Here enter details).

In the case of a candidate who is a British subject and whose father is dead.

IX. If the Secretary to Government, Commissioner of the Division, or highest Political Officer accredited to the State, as the case may be, is satisfied by the papers submitted, he will issue a certificate in the following form, setting out the nature of the evidence produced by the candidate:—

'I hereby certify that....., who is a candidate for the Indian Civil Service examination in London, has submitted the proofs of his birth detailed below* and has satisfactorily shown that he was actually born on or about the date stated, *viz.*, the .....day of.....19 , and further, I hereby certify that he is a British subject and that his father was at the time of his death

a British subject †.
a subject of..... ..State in India†.
a person in the permanent service of the Crown†.
a person who had retired from the permanent service of the Crown†.'

* (Here enter details).

X. If the Secretary to Government, Commissioner of the Division, or highest Political Officer accredited to the State, as the case may be, finds reason to believe that the evidence brought forward is not such as to justify the grant of a certificate in the form set out in paragraph VIII or paragraph IX above, the certificate will be refused.

In the case of a candidate who is a Ruler or a subject of an Indian State.

XI. If the Secretary to Government, Commissioner of the Division, or highest Political Officer accredited to the State as the case may be, is satisfied by the papers submitted that the candidate has stated the date and place of his birth and nationality correctly, he will

(1) forward the papers with his observations, including any as to the nationality of the candidate's father and mother, to the Government of India or to His Excellency the Crown Representative as the case may be who will address the Secretary of State with a view to the necessary declaration of eligibility being issued under sub-section (3) of Section 262 of the Government of India Act, 1935, and

† Strike out as required.

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(2) issue to the candidate a certificate in the following form setting out the nature of the evidence produced by the candidate:—

'I hereby certify that..... who is a candidate for the Indian Civil Service examination in London, has submitted the proofs of his birth detailed below* and has satisfactorily shown that he was actually born on or about the date stated, *viz.*, the..... day of.....19 , and further I hereby certify that he is

the Ruler† / a subject† of the .....
State in India.'

* (Here enter details).

F. H. PUCKLE,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

NOTE.—The relevant clauses of the Regulations mentioned in this Notification are:—

"2. A candidate must be a male and either—

(*a*) a British subject of European descent, or of Indian domicile or descent, whose father (if alive) is a British subject or a subject of a State in India, or (if dead) was at the time of his death either a British subject or a subject of an Indian State or a person in the permanent service of the Crown or a person who had retired from that service; or

(*b*) a ruler or a subject of an Indian State in respect of whom a declaration has been made under sub-section (3) of Section 262 of the Government of India Act, 1935:

Provided that in the case of a male British subject the requirements of this rule may be waived by the Secretary of State if he is satisfied that their observance would occasion exceptional hardship, and the candidate is so closely connected by ancestry or upbringing with His Majesty's Dominions as to justify special treatment.

3. A candidate must have attained the age of twenty-one and must not have attained the age of twenty-four, on the first day of August of the year in which the examination is held.

4. Candidates must be prepared to produce evidence to satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners that their nationality and age conform to the requirements of Clauses 2 and 3 above. A candidate who is of Indian domicile or descent, and who is not in possession of a certificate of birth or of a baptismal certificate stating the date of birth, must submit a certificate of nationality and age issued in accordance with such Instructions as the Governor-General in Council may, from time to time, prescribe†, and signed, should he be resident in British India, by a Secretary to Government of the Province, or the Commissioner of the Division within which his family resides, or, should he reside in an Indian State, by the highest Political Officer accredited to the State in which his family resides.

† Strike out as required.

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H..'BLE THE RESIDENT
IN M.SORE, BANGALORE.
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Subject:- Revised instructions for the issue of certificates of age and nationality to candidates for the Indian Civil Service examinations held in the United Kingdom.

In continuation of the Home Department endorsement No.35/9/38-Ests., dated the 9th March 1938, I am directed to forward for information a copy of the Home Department Notification No.35/10/39-Ests., dated the 22nd February 1939, publishing for the convenience of candidates the revised instructions prescribed by the Governor General in Council in pursuance of clause 4 of the Regulations for admission to the Indian Civil Service examination held in the United Kingdom and to say that requests for the supply of the original Home Department Notification No.266/30-Ests., dated the 21st February 1931, should in future, if there is no objection, be met by the supply of the revised instructions now sent.

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To

1) The Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Mysore, Bangalore.

2) The Dewan of Banganapalle, Banganapalle.

3) The President, State Executive Council, Sandur.

4) The Collector & Dist. Magistrate, C & M Station, Bangalore.

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for Secy. to the Resident.

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